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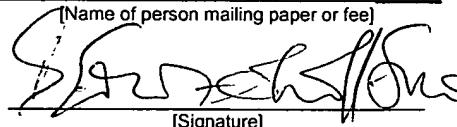
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This is a request for filing a [X] continuation [] divisional application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b), of pending prior international application Number PCT/EP02/09655, filed on August 29, 2002, entitled USE OF FLUORESCENT DYES BASED ON PYRROMETHENE DIFLUOROBORATE COMPLEXES FOR THE FLUORESCENT MARKING OF LUBRICANTS AND FOR THE DETERMINATION OF LEAKAGES IN LUBRICANT SYSTEMS AND A CORRESPONDING FLUORESCENT DYE CONCENTRATE in the name of inventor(s) CHRISTOPH ZANDER, BIRGITT ZANDER and RENÉ PÜSCHL, which designates the United States.

Assignee: CERTUS DUR GMBH, 57258 Freudenberg, Germany

[X] Applicant claims small entity status pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.27.

Enclosed are:

- Application Data Sheet.
 - Specification with 15 pages, 6 claims and 1 sheet of drawing.
 - Declaration under 37 C.F.R § 1.63 with [] Power of attorney.
 - Assignment.
 - Cover letter in compliance with 37 C.F.R 3.31 to accompany the assignment submitted for recording.
 - Self-addressed postcard.
 - Priority of foreign application number 101 42 121.4, filed August 30, 2001, in Germany, is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d).
 - [] The certified copy is enclosed.
 - A preliminary amendment.
 - An Information Disclosure Statement together with PTO-Form 1449 and cited references.
 - Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:--
This application is a
 - [] continuation
 - [] divisionof pending international application number PCT/ , filed .--.
- [] The filing fee is calculated as follows:

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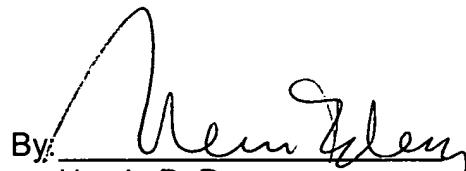
- [] A check in the amount of \$ to cover the filing fee of and the official fee of \$40.00 for recording the Assignment.
- [] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0502. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.10 and §1.53, applicant respectfully requests that this application be assigned an application number and a filing date of February 27, 2004, the date upon which the application was mailed to the Patent and Trademark Office by Express Mail.

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